



# Quality Assurance



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# Current QA Mission – Executed at TACOM LCMC

- QA mission integrated into product teams and the PEOs
- William Pietrzek currently serves as the Activity Career Program Manager for Career Program 15. Mr. Ron Sturgeon provides guidance for the QA mission within TARDEC EBG.
- Army QA Policy is currently established by AR 702-11 and the Army Quality Federation (AQF) and Executive Leadership Committee (ELC) in which Ron Sturgeon is a member.
- Current strength of CP-15 Q & RA Job Series 1910, in Warren: Approximately 60. Personnel in other job series also support QA.



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# Snap Shot of Some Accomplishments

- QA Spare Part Policy/Procedure Mission
  - Established a control point for the release of policies and procedures
  - Current and comprehensive QA SPARE PART SOP
  - Actively maintain website to communicate policy/procedures/lessons learned/library
- Active working relationship with the Acquisition Community.
  - Attend monthly TDP meetings with Acquisition Center to discuss issues/polices/and alternatives for resolutions to problems.
  - Membership on PADDS IPT to ensure contract language is current and relevant
  - Active in support of standardizing the ARDEC/TARDEC TDP process



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# Snap Shot of Some Accomplishments (continued)

## Partnering with other Government Agencies and Army Sites

- **Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA)**
  - Government Source Inspection (GSI)
  - Performance Based Management
  - Newly coordinated QALI guidance
  - Training with DCMA Field Representatives
- **Defense Logistics Agency (DLA)**
  - Function as a focal point for the Consumable Item transfer (CIT) Program with DLA.
  - Open discussion on DLA QA/Engineering requirements
  - Joint field problem resolution through electronic PQDR process
- **TACOM-Warren Sister Sites**
  - Performing PQDR study to determine quality of material supplied through DLA acquisition.
  - Harmonization of PADDs local clauses between sites.



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## Current TACOM LCMC QA Assessment Effort

- Initiated a 3 month effort to assess quality program across LCMC. Map out processes for DLA, depots, and acquisition.
- TARDEC is taking lead on conducting assessment with input from all LCMC QA stakeholders
- Re-vitalize the quality focus for the LCMC and explore opportunities for improvement.
- AQF membership will be contacted in the near future for support to this effort.